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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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**A. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action, made final, having a mailing date of October 12, 2005, with a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire on January 12, 2006, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the outstanding rejections and reexamination of the present application in light of the following remarks and amendments.

No extension of time is believed to be necessary. If, however, an extension of time is required, the extension is requested, and the undersigned hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge any fees for this extension to IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 09-0447.

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